

MADRESFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE 230th PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

HELD AT MADRESFIELD CLUB

ON FRIDAY 19TH SEPTEMBER 2025 AT 7:45 PM

PRESENT

Cllrs. Mr M Johnson (Chair), Mr C Eden and Mrs K Wells.

IN ATTENDANCE

Mr D Sharp (Clerk).

1. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The Council invites local residents attending the meeting to make comments and suggestions, and question the Parish Council on issues on the agenda, or raise issues for future consideration: No matters were discussed.

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

To consider acceptance of apologies for absence from Councillors: There were none.

3. INTERESTS

- i. *Councillors Declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests and Other Disclosable Interests regarding items on the agenda:* There were none.
- ii. *Notification of changes to the register of interests:* There were none
- iii. *To consider written requests from councillors for the council to grant a dispensation for those with Disclosable Interests to take part in discussions or voting:* There were none.

4. CO-OPTION

To consider applications for co-option onto the Parish Council: None had been received.

5. MINUTES

To consider for approval the minutes of the 229th and Annual Parish Council Meeting held on 27th May 2025: These were accepted as an accurate record and they were to be signed by the Chair.

6. PROGRESS REPORTS AND OTHER MATTERS ARISING FROM THESE MINUTES

Guarlford Parish Council were to consider the possible grouping with Madresfield Parish Council at their meeting to be held on 8th December. The Clerk and Chair were to attend. An online meeting had been arranged later this month with Calc to discuss the issue and the Chair and Clerk were to attend.

7. REPORTS FROM DISTRICT AND COUNTY COUNCILLORS

District Cllr. Kathy Wells gave an update of the proposed creation of a unitary authority and the dissolution of Malvern Hills District Council. Recent voting had indicated that all District Council except Redditch favoured the creation of both a North and South Worcestershire Unitary Authority. Reddich District Council and Worcestershire County Council favoured a single Authority. Elections for the new Authority(ies) would be held in May 2027 and would run in parallel with the current regime for one year.

8. HIGHWAYS AND FOOTPATHS

No matters were discussed.

9. PLANNING

To consider responses to any late submitted applications:
No applications had been received.

10. FINANCE

To consider payment of invoices presented: The following payments were approved:

From/Due to	Date	Amount	Details
J Moore	-	£640.00	Lengthman Fees (Jun-Sep)
Madresfield Club	19/09	£10.00	Hire Charge (Cheque)
Anthem (UK) Ltd	-	£50.00	Internal Audit Fee
HM Revenue & Customs	-	£35.80	PAYE (Jul-Sep)
D Sharp	19/09	£142.66	Clerks fees (3 months @ 1hr/week SCP7 £178.46)*
	Total	£878.46	

* New Pay Scale

After these payments are made accounts will be as follows

UNITY TRUST

Instant Access Account B/F	£855.28	Current Account B/F	£283.12
		WCC Lengthman	£160.00
Interest	£5.00	WCC Lengthman	£160.00
		WCC Lengthman	£160.00
		WCC Lengthman	£160.00
		Service Charge	-£6.00
		Service Charge	-£6.00
		Service Charge	-£6.00
		Service Charge	-£6.00
		September Payments	-878.46
Instant Access Account C/F	£860.28	Current Account C/F	£20.66

11. CORRESPONDENCE.

To consider any responses to the following correspondence received:

FROM	SUBJECT
CALC	Updates
NALC	Chief Executive's Bulletin
NALC	Newsletters
District & County Cllrs.	Monthly Reports
MHDC	Monthly Business e-Bulletins
WCC Highways	Road Closure North End Lane
Malvern Town Council	First Bus Meeting - 23 rd June
West Mercia Police	Smartwater Scheme
West Mercia Police	Rural Newsletter
WCC	Local Nature Recovery Strategy Public Consultation
Parish Online	Webinar 23/09 12:00
WCC	Rights of Way Improvement Plan (ROWIP)
WCC	Survey on Local Government Re-organisation
WCC	Withdrawal of the MyParish Web Portal
Misc.	Parish Pairing (Zoom 14:15 24/09)

12. COUNCILLOR'S ITEMS FOR REPORT OR FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION.

No further matters were discussed.

13. NEXT MEETING.

The next Parish Council meeting was to be held on Monday 15th December at 7:45pm in the Madresfield Club.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8:35 pm.